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CONFERENCEING OVER PACKETIZED NETWORKS

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated December 12, 2006, for which the three month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on March 12, 2007. Consideration of the remarks that follow is respectfully requested. It is believed no claims nor extension fees are due at this time.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.